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Minutes 01/07/2013

TOWN OF ARLINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Meeting Minutes Monday, January 7, 2013 7:15 p.m.

Present: Mr. Greeley, Chair, Mr. Dunn, Vice Chair, Mrs. Mahon, Mr. Byrne and Mr. Curro Also Present: Mr. Chapdelaine, Ms. Rice and Mrs. Sullivan

Mr. Greeley introduced and welcomed the newly appointed Representative David Rogers.

Mr. Rogers thanked the Selectmen and told them he was formerly placing himself at their service and the residents. He will begin to hold office hours and is eager to be helpful and work with everyone.

FOR APPROVAL

- 1. CONSENT AGENDA (one vote required for approval of all items)
 - a. Minutes of Meetings: December 17, 2012
 - b. REAPPOINTMENTS

Arlington Cultural Council

Scott Samenfeld

(term to expire 01/2016)

Cyrus E. Dallin Art Museum, Board of Trustees

Sarah Burks

Aimee Taberner

(terms to expire 01/2016)

c. Request: Contractor/Drainlayer License

US Pavement Services Inc., 39 Industrial Parkway, Woburn, MA

Mr. Dunn moved approval. SO VOTED (5-0)

APPOINTMENTS

2. Appointment: Arlington Bicycle Advisory Committee

Phil Goff

(term to expire 01/2016)

Mr. Dunn commented on the amount of great professional volunteerism helping the community for free.

Mr. Dunn moved approval. SO VOTED (5-0)

3. Cyrus E. Dallin Art Museum, Board of Trustees

Jacqueline Bates

(term to expire 01/2016)

Mr. Curro moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Mr. Greeley stated that there are 100 committees in Town that provide great service to the residents.

LICENSES & PERMITS

7:30 p.m. Public Hearing

4. Request: Hackney/Taxi Business Operator License

Daniel Kalantar d/b/a Limolex

Mrs. Mahon moved approval for 2 licenses subject to all conditions set forth.

SO VOTED (4-1)

Mr. Greeley voted in the negative.

5. Request: Hackney/Taxi Business Operator License

Abdullahi J. Magan d/b/a Boston Ride

Mr. Dunn moved approval for 5 licenses subject to conditions set forth.

SO VOTED (4-1)

Mr. Greeley voted in the negative.

6. Request: Class II License

Jim Doherty d/b/a Menotomy Auto Sales, 1211 Massachusetts Avenue Tabled until the January 28, 2013 meeting.

7. Request: Common Victualler License

Sobhy I. Ibrahim d/b/a Frozland Frozen Yogurt, 882B Massachusetts Avenue

Mrs. Mahon moved approval subject to conditions set forth.

SO VOTED (5-0)

8. Request: Common Victualler License

Jamie Van Schyndel d/b/a Barismo Inc., 171 Massachusetts Avenue

Mrs. Mahon moved approval subject to conditions set forth.

SO VOTED (5-0)

9. CITIZENS OPEN FORUM

This matter was presented for consideration of the Board.

Ms. Romano and Mr. Berger came before the Selectmen to clarify an earlier meeting statement regarding public hearing vs. public meeting concerning the Massachusetts Avenue Project. Mr. Greeley agreed with the term public meetings instead of public hearing on some of the meetings he referenced at the earlier meeting when speaking to Mr. Berger.

TRAFFIC RULES & ORDERS/OTHER BUSINESS

10. Approval: DOT Letter re: Bikeway Connection @ Intersection of Route 3 and Route 60 Adam W. Chapdelaine, Town Manager

Mr. Chapdelaine requested that the Selectmen vote to attest that the Bikeway Connection Project is acceptable within the designated uses of properties and that all possible planning to minimize harm has been accomplished in the location and design of the bikeway.

Mr. Curro moved approval that the Chair sign the DOT letter on behalf of the Board of Selectmen.

SO VOTED (5-0)

11. FY 14 Budget Preparation

Adam W. Chapdelaine, Town Manager

Mr. Chapdelaine reported that the preparation began in August and will be completed by January 15th for distribution to the Selectmen and FinCom.

Mr. Dunn moved approval of the budget preparation.

SO VOTED (5-0)

12. Financial Communication Survey Results

Adam W. Chapdelaine, Town Manager

Mr. Chapdelaine reported that the results will be posted on the web and that there were 1,159 completed response surveys (only 3 of which were returned as paper copies). He was very pleased with the results and feels it will help in determining where to invest time and effort in communications with the public.

Mrs. Mahon moved receipt of the survey results.

SO VOTED (5-0)

13. Regionalization Forum, January 10th in Arlington Adam W. Chapdelaine, Town Manager

Mr. Chapdelaine explained that this forum is to discuss opportunities for regionalization such as sharing services and combining resources to produce cost savings and improve delivery effectiveness. The Selectmen are invited to attend. Mrs. Mahon stated she could not attend but will communicate areas of interest to Mr. Dunn for forum discussion.

Correspondence Received

Geoffrey C. Beckwith Town of Arlington Awarded Certificate, Be Rec'd

Executive Director, MMA MMA Annual Town Report Contest

Martin Luther King, Jr. 25th Annual MLK Birthday Event Be Rec'd

Birthday Observance Committee

Mrs. Mahon moved receipt of correspondence received. SO VOTED (5-0)

NEW BUSINESS

- Mr. Chapdelaine thanked all those involved with the snow efforts and cleanup of the last storm.
- Mr. Chapdelaine reported that the Town of Arlington is being recognized with an award certificate for placing #1 among the top three municipalities in Category 1 (population 12,500 plus) of the MMA's Annual Town Report contest. The Annual Report serves as an effective tool to communicate important information to residents and to promote understanding of and involvement in local government.
- Mr. Byrne reported that Mr. Bowes of Bowes Real Estate coordinates a Christmas luncheon at the Elks Club for those in need of a dinner. Mr. Byrne thanked Mr. Bowes and the many volunteers who help produce this dinner-it was well attended.
- Mr. Byrne welcomed five new hires to the Fire Department: Marc McCabe, Ben Potter, Johnny Arnold, Neil Dugan and Devin Murray.
- Mr. Byrne thanked the Police Department, especially Sergeant Sean Kiernen, Lieutenant Brendan Kiernan, Officer Michael Foley, and Officer Brandon Kindle for not only fulfilling a sick child's wish but also for driving to Virginia to meet personally with the child. This was above and beyond effort on behalf of these Officers on their off duty time.
- Mr. Curro announced the 25th Annual martin Luther King Jr. Birthday Observance is Monday, January 21, 2013 at 6:45 PM in the Auditorium of the Town Hall.
- Mr. Curro requested the Chair of the Selectmen write a letter of appreciation to Rep Jay Kaufman for his great work representing his precincts in Arlington. Mr. Greeley agreed, but asked the Selectmen's Office to write a proclamation and invite Rep Kaufman to a future meeting to thank him for his work.
- Mr. Curro asked for a moment of silence for the passing of Former Moderator Harry McCabe's wife Catherine McCabe.
- Mr. Dunn reminded the Selectmen that the Budget Revenue Task Force Meeting will be on February 11, 2013 at 6:00 PM in the Selectmen's Hearing Room.
- Mr. Greeley announced that the 2012 Special Town meeting Leaf Blower Committee will hold a Public Meeting on Monday, January 14, 2013 at 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM in the Auditorium of the Town Hall. The committee will gather input to report back to the Board of Selectmen and to Special Town Meeting. The Selectmen will then input a warrant article to Special Town Meeting in the spring.
- Mr. Greeley along with Town Counsel, Ms.Rice, addressed an article Greeley Profits From Symmes Urban Renewal Project on True Persons.com written by "Menotomy Observer" an anonymous writer. He commented that the article accused him of personally profiting from the developers of Symmes property. Mr. Greeley denies this accusation and said it's just a coincidence of the same last name as a creditor listed on a document referenced by the "Menotomy Observer". Mr. Greeley used this anonymous accusation as an example of the worst use of the internet

and asked that it be removed and a retraction be put in its place. Ms. Rice stated that after speaking to Mr. Upton, a Symmes project manager, he confirmed that Mr. Kevin F. Greeley, his family, nor his firm did any work for the Symmes project.

Mr. Greeley announced that he intends to run this spring for reelection.

Mrs. Mahon moved to adjourn at 8:25 PM.

SO VOTED (5-0)

A true record: Attest

Mary Ann Sullivan

Next scheduled meeting of BoS January 28, 2013.

1/7/13

Agenda Item Documents Used

- 1(a) 12/17/12 Draft Minutes
- 1(b) Reappointment Letters Arl. Cultural Council & Cyrus E. Dallin Musuem
- 1(c) DPW Contractor/Drainlayer Application & Inspection Letter
- 2 Appointment Letter Arl. Bicycle Advisory Committee
- 3 Appointment Letter Cyrus E. Dallin Musuem
- 4 Hackney License Application Limolex
- 5 Hackney License Application Boston Ride
- 6 Class II Application Menotomy Auto Sales
- 7 Common Victualler Application & Inspection Reports Frozland
- 8 Common Victualler Application & Inspection Reports Barismo
- 10 DOT Letter Bikeway Connection @ Intersection of Rt. 3 & Rt. 60
- 12 Financial Communication Results J.Roman
- 13 Regionalization Forum Draft Agenda

Corr. Rcvd MMA Congratulations Letter Martin Luther King Jr. 25th Anniversary Announcement